

House Resolution 1350

By: Representative Byrd of the 20th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing February 20, 2008, as "Epilepsy Awareness Day"; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, epilepsy is a condition that affects as many as 2.5 million Americans and kills
3 42,000 annually; and

4 WHEREAS, seizures are the most common neurological disorder of childhood, with 120,000
5 children in the country receiving medical attention each year due to a first or
6 newly-recognized seizure; and

7 WHEREAS, the Leon Bender Foundation and Emory University School of Medicine are
8 partners in research initiatives that will allow for the discovery of new treatments for
9 epilepsy; and

10 WHEREAS, the National Epilepsy Foundation is inviting patients, caregivers, doctors,
11 friends and family of epilepsy patients, and volunteers to come to the capitol on February 20,
12 2008, to speak to legislators about their concerns for persons living with epilepsy.

13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
14 the members of this body recognize February 20, 2008, as "Epilepsy Awareness Day" and
15 encourage citizens to participate in this special observance.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
17 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the National Epilepsy
18 Foundation of Georgia.